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James E. Audia, et al.)
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REPLY AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Reply and Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed on December 20, 2001, for the above-referenced patent application. A petition requesting a three month extension of time is enclosed herewith and this response is being filed on or before its now current due date of June 20, 2002. In response to the Office Action, entry of the following amendments is requested.

In the Specification:

Amend the specification at page 1, lines 1-5, to read as follows:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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This application is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Application No. 09/337,408, filed May 11, 2001, now abandoned, which is a continuing prosecution application of U.S. Application No. 09/337,408 filed June 21, 1999, now abandoned, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/160,066, filed June 22, 1998.--
